TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2023–

A PROCLAMATION DECLARING JANUARY 2023 AS "NATIONAL RADON ACTION MONTH IN LAKE TAHOE"

WHEREAS, Lake Tahoe residents need to know, for the safety and health of their families, that radon is a colorless, odorless, naturally occurring radioactive gas that is the primary cause of lung cancer among nonsmokers; the second leading cause of lung cancer in smokers; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates 21,000 people in the U.S. die each year from lung cancer caused by indoor radon exposure, and lung and bronchus cancer kill more people in a year than any other cancer; and

WHEREAS, radon kills more people than secondhand smoke, drunk driving, choking, drowning or home fires; and

WHEREAS, any home in Lake Tahoe may have elevated levels of radon, even if neighboring homes do not; and

WHEREAS, testing is the only way to know if a home has an elevated radon level, which is easy and inexpensive, and when identified, radon problems can be fixed; and

WHEREAS, University of Nevada Extension's Nevada Radon Education Program and the EPA support efforts to encourage all Lake Tahoe residents to test their homes for radon, mitigate elevated levels of radon, and build new homes with radon-reducing materials and features.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED that the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency does hereby support January 2023 as National Radon Action Month in Lake Tahoe.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency this 25th day of January, 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes: Nays: Absent:

> Cindy Gustafson, Chair Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board